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SUBJECT: BIPD RESTRUCTURING AUGURS WELL FOR MEPI-FUNDED
PROGRAMS

REF: A. MANAMA 610

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- 1.(C) Summary: King Hamad's recent appointment of new leadership at the Bahrain Institute for Political Development (BIPD) followed a corruptic
- 2.(C) On November 19, King Hamad issued a royal decree appointing a new board of directors for the BIPD, which had been rudderless since the Ju
- 3.(SBU) New BIPD executive director Al Khayat, born in 1959, earned his PhD in applied mathematics from Manchester University, UK, and held sev
- 4.(C) NDI, which was effectively kicked out by the GOB in 2006, recommenced activities in Bahrain in mid-2007 on the basis of a "partnership a
- 5.(C) Comment: Heretofore, BIPD has shown little capacity (or desire) to undertake significant programming, and under Al Awadhi's stewardship s